



## 4-H E-mail Announcements for May 11, 2010

### **COUNTY NEWS**

#### **\*\*\*Global Village Cultural Experience\*\*\***

Become a part of this exciting hands-on program designed to educate youth about global issues and gain greater awareness of world hunger, poverty, and population issues. You will be divided into family groups, given basic resources, and placed into simulated world sites to include Africa, Thailand, Peru, Mexico, rural America, or Urban Slums. Participants spend a day "living" the life of another culture.

This overnight field trip will take place 10 am Saturday, June 19 through 11am Sunday, June 20, 2010 at the Howell Conference and Nature Center: Those youth who are in 6<sup>th</sup> grade or older must complete [form](#) and mail to Macomb MSUE 4-H Program 21885 Dunham Suite 12 Clinton Twp. 48036 by Monday, **May 24**. There will be a \$6 fee for those youth who are selected to attend. There are limited slots available. Transportation may be provided for a limited number of youth. Questions: Call Kathy 586.469.6093.

Form can be found also on website:

[http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/4h\\_index.htm](http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/4h_index.htm) under diversity and cultural education link on left hand column.

#### **\*\*\* Volunteers Needed to Promote 4-H at Metro Beach Nature Center\*\*\***

Metro Beach Nature Center, in cooperation with the Macomb County Health Department and Macomb Intermediate School District, will be hosting "No Child Left Inside - Get Out and Play!" on June 12 from 11 am to 3 pm. There will be hikes and other outdoor activities to inspire families to get out and explore. The Nature Center would like us to staff a table at this event that would promote 4-H and have youth gardening activities for those who stop by. We're looking for a club to volunteer to do this. Anne will work with you to select some easy gardening activities and the 4-H Office will cover any expenses connected with those activities. If your club is interested, contact Anne at 469-6431.

#### **\*\*\*Volunteers Needed to Promote 4-H at Wolcott Farm Country Fair\*\*\***

The Wolcott Farm staff has asked us to have an informational table at their Country Fair on Saturday June 19 and Sunday June 20, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. If your club is interested in this, please let the 4-H staff know as soon as possible (469-6431). If you only want to commit to one day, we can divide this task among two clubs. The 4-H Office will provide you with all of the necessary promotional materials.

#### **\*\*\*Shooting Sports/Outdoor Ed. And Rec.\*\*\***

For those youth and volunteer interested in outdoor education and shooting sports activities we invite you to attend a planning meeting scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Huron Point sportsman association. Please RSVP to Vickie Hart at the county 4-H office at 586-469-6090 ([veronica.hart@macombcountymi.gov](mailto:veronica.hart@macombcountymi.gov)) by May 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **\*\*\*Project Clover 5K Run/Walk\*\*\***

Project Clover provides quality meat products to local food pantries or soup kitchens while supporting/purchasing 4-H youth livestock projects sold during the 4-H Livestock Sale. During tough economic times, many families can't afford protein enriched food, especially meat. Project Clover connects 4-H members to the community by contributing a variety of quality meat products such as beef, swine, lamb, goats, poultry and rabbits.

Project Clover is proud to host its first annual 5K Run/Walk on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2010 at the Armada Fairgrounds. All registered racers/walkers receive a t-shirt and top runners/walkers will be recognized at the end of the race. There is even a 1 mile fun run for kids. Registration forms are on line: <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/livestock.html>  
For more information contact Jennifer @ 810.395.2257 or Becky at 586.784.9846

### **\*\*\*4-H King and Queen Contest\*\*\***

Now is the time to nominate someone from your club for King or Queen. By participating in this program, youth gain leadership experience, enhance their communication skills and play an active role in promoting 4-H in the community. Each club can nominate one boy and one girl from their club membership. Nominees must be 4-H age 14-18 and have completed a minimum of 2 years in 4-H (not including current year). Nominees need to complete an application and cover sheet found online:

[http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/4h\\_armadafair.html](http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/4h_armadafair.html)

Applications are due to the 4-H office by 5 pm Friday, June 11. Nominees will then be interviewed by a panel of judges. This year interviews will take place on July 28 at Wolcott Farm-please note, exceptions can not be made to this date.

More Information:

For more information contact the 4-H Superintendents, Jenna Lotan 586.781.7081, Jean/Christine Bingham 586.784.5021 or Kathy at the MSUE office- 469-6431.

### **\*\*\*4-H Livestock Updates-PQA and Tagging\*\*\***

Please note also the tagging for Swine, Lambs and Goats will be held on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from **10:00 AM to NOON**. PQA certification training will be held on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00 pm in the Grange Hall. RSVP to Kathy at 4-H office 586-469-6431 with name and 4-H age by June 9.

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## **STATE NEWS**

### **\*\*\*Dairy Youth Cow Camps\*\*\***

Again for 2010 we will be hosting **Dairy Youth Cow Camp**. A series of one-day "summer camp" workshops which will be held across the state in June to introduce and educate young people about dairy cattle. Cow camp is geared towards 9 to 13 year olds, however youth of any age are invited to participate. The only qualification is that participants are interested in

learning about dairy cattle and the dairy industry. Program begins at 9:00 a.m. and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Registration is due June 1, 2010. \$10/person which includes lunch.

June 8 – UP State Fairgrounds  
June 12 – Kent County Fairgrounds  
June 14 – Tuscola County Fairgrounds  
June 15 – Calhoun County Fairgrounds  
June 21 – Newaygo County Fairgrounds

Details and the pdf registration form are available on the Animal Science Youth Extension web site. <http://www.canr.msu.edu/anscikids/index.html>

## **OTHER NEWS**

### **\*\*\* Make It With Wool Contest \*\*\***

The "MAKE IT WITH WOOL" contest will be held Oct. 30th 2010 at the Martin Luther Chapel in East Lansing MI. The objectives of this contest are to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabric and yarns, to recognize creative skills, being a good sport, accepting judge's decisions learning about and appreciating diversity. Age categories include pre-teens (age 12 and under) juniors (age13-16), seniors (age 17-24), adults (age25 and over) 'Made for others' (any age). The category you enter will be determined by your age as of Dec 31. 2010. Contact Deanna Humphrey at [pdhumphreycal@msn.com](mailto:pdhumphreycal@msn.com) for more information. The junior and senior state winners will advance to the national level of competition.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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For more information about these and other events, visit the Macomb County MSU Extension 4-H Calendar online at <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/events/index.htm>.

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